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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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TIMOTHY MERRICK LONG, ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2628
Application No.: 10/553,604)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 7434
Filed: October 18, 2005)	
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For: A METHOD FOR TRACKING)	January 31, 2008
DEPTHS IN A SCANLINE BASED	:	
RASTER IMAGE PROCESSOR)	

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FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanations of relevance for the non-English documents are provided by their accompanying English-language abstracts.

For the Examiner's information, U.S. Patents No. 5,977,987 and No. 6,285,378 correspond to Japanese Document No. 11-515121.

As will be appreciated, the Barkan, et al., article listed on the Japanese Office Action is not included herewith as it was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement of September 13, 2007.

Applicants certify under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in the subject information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Specifically, these documents were first cited in a Japanese Office Action dated November 6, 2007, in a corresponding Japanese patent application. A copy of the Office Action that issued on that related application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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